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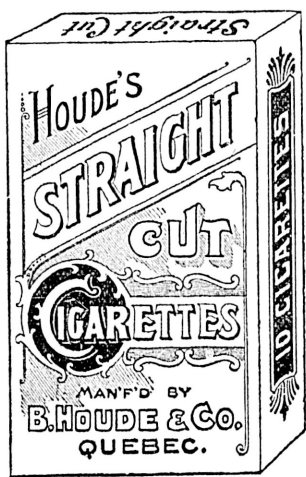
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Fanciful Story From Ladysmith Illustrating Boer Awe of British Bayonets.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 13.—(4:45 a. m.)—With the exception of Sunday's sortie from Ladysmith, which the morning papers are unanimous in regarding as a brilliant piece of work, there are no further advances from the seat of war. A war office despatch reports that Mafeking was safe up to December 4, but that the Boers had shelled the town since November 27 with increased effect. Rations had been considerably reduced, meat by half a pound and bread by a quarter of a pound, in view of a probable long siege. Water, however, was still plentiful.

The Boers fear the British bayonets. This is illustrated in the full accounts now arriving of previous sorties. It seems that in Sir Archibald Hunter's sally from Ladysmith to capture the Boer guns, the British did not carry bayonets. While they were storming the hills the Boers, suddenly aroused from their sleep, rushed to the edge and opened an indiscriminate fire upon the British. But just before the British secured a footing on the top of the hill, some one among them shouted, "Fix bayonets and give them cold steel." At this the Boers turned and fled into the darkness.

BERLIN ON GATACRE.

Rabbe Applaud the Britishers' Mishap But Press Comments Show Friendly Sympathy.

Berlin, Dec. 12.—Gen. Gatacre's reverse at Stormberg was joyfully greeted on the streets of Berlin, but the newspapers for the most part are reticent on the subject.

The Vossische Zeitung comments in a strain almost friendly, saying: "After the soldierly virtues which the British have shown in this war, it may well be believed that Gen. Gatacre's troops fought as if on the parade ground." The Deutsche Tages Zeitung is about the only paper which is distinctly Anglophobic in its comments.

## Re William Buckett, Deceased.

Pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any debts, claims or demands upon or against the estate of William Buckett, deceased, who died on the 5th day of November, 1899, and of whose last will probate was on the 8th day of November, 1899, granted to Donald McLean, of Victoria, British Columbia, are hereby required to send particulars of their claims or demands to the undersigned, on or before the 31st day of January, 1900, verified by statutory declaration, after which date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to debts, claims and demands of which he shall then have had notice; and for the assets, or any part thereof, so administered and distributed he will not be liable to any person of whose debt, claim, or demand he shall not then have had notice. And all persons indebted to the estate of the said deceased are required forthwith to pay the amount of their debts respectively to the said executor, dated this 13th day of December, 1899.

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## THE CANADIANS' POSITION

Several Days Since Reported at Belmont and May Be Now With Methuen.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—The Globe prints a report from Fred Hamilton, its correspondent with the Canadian contingent, dated Belmont, December 9, stating that "the Canadians have moved up from the Orange River to this place. The right half came up yesterday and the left half to-day."

The Globe adds: "It is impossible to say on the strength of this whether the Canadians are now at Belmont or have gone right on to Methuen's main body, private cables being all two or three days behind."

## Americans Lose

### A General.

Lawton Turns Up Missing After Defeat of Oregon Marines by Filipinos.

Insurgents Disband Organized Armies for Resort to Guerilla Warfare.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 13.—Reuter's Telegram Company has received the following despatch from Hongkong:

"A force of United States marines who landed at Vigan, South Ilocos province, from the battleship Oregon, was defeated by the Filipinos under Gen. Pino on December 4.

"The Manila newspapers, despite the censorship, admit that Gen. Lawton is missing.

"The insurgent government, so-called, of the Philippines will be changed to a dictatorship to continue hostilities against the Americans exclusively by the methods of guerilla warfare, the Filipino army being split up into small bands, the troops taking an oath before separating that they will fight until their country's rights are recognized."

Manila, Dec. 12.—Col. Smith with a detachment of the 15th Infantry surrounded and captured in a village near Malasqui a party of guerillas who had made their headquarters there. The party included the band who assassinated seven officials at Malasqui for friendliness to the Americans. It is expected that they will be speedily tried and shot, or hanged, as examples, if convicted.

## WILSON FOR LEADER

Up-Country Conservatives Canvassed In Support of His Nomination as Provincial Chieftain

From Our Own Correspondent.

Revelstoke, Dec. 12.—Petitions pledging the signers to support Charles Wilson, Q. C., for the Liberal-Conservative leader in provincial affairs have been sent from Vancouver to up-country Conservatives.

An accompanying circular states that Wilson has been chosen leader by the committee appointed at New Westminster.

**KRUGER'S FRIENDS IN DUBLIN.**  
Applaud the Lord Mayor in Denunciation of the Transvaal War.

Dublin, Dec. 12.—The Lord Mayor of Dublin, Daniel Tallon, presided at a meeting of the corporation to-day called to protest against the Transvaal war. The clerk declared that there was no quorum, but the Lord Mayor insisted on making a statement, in which he declared that the war was "wanton and unprovoked aggression, undertaken by Mr. Chamberlain and capitalists against a handful of farmers."

He further declared that America was "opposed to this iniquitous war." In the meantime members present shouted "no quorum" and "order" and the tumult in the galleries drowned all the speeches. Finally the Lord Mayor left the chair with the galleries cheering for President Kruger. No attempt was made to adopt the previously prepared resolution against the war.

**HOW STEYN TELLS IT.**

Pretoria, Dec. 10.—President Steyn sent the following details of the fight at Stormberg Junction:

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## Raid on a Howitzer.

Five Hundred of the Rifle Brigade Make Brilliant Sortie From Ladysmith.

Boers Again Surprised and Driven Off and the Big Gun Destroyed.

Gallant Party Find Retreat Barred but Force Way at Bayonet's Point.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 13.—The war office publishes the following despatch from Gen. Buller:

"Despatch from Gen. White, dated December 11, says: Last night Col. Metcalf and five hundred of the Second Rifle Brigade sortied to capture a Boer howitzer on a hill. They reached the place without being discovered, drove off the enemy and then destroyed the howitzer with gun cotton.

"When returning, Metcalf found his retreat barred by the Boers, but he forced his way through, using the bayonet freely. The Boer losses were considerable.

"The British losses were the following: Lt. Ferguson and eleven men killed; Capt. Pale, Second Lt. Davenport, Second Lt. Bond and forty-one men wounded."

"The Times, while praising Col. Metcalf and his brilliant feat at Ladysmith, expresses the opinion that relief being now so near, such sorties are rather perilous, and it would be better for Gen. White to avoid them as far as possible.

"The Morning Post again endeavors editorially to arouse the British people to a recognition of the 'serious nature of the struggle and of the grave position in which matters now stand.'"

**STORMBERG IN DETAIL.**  
Gen. Gatacre Does Not Impute Treachery to Guide—British Retreat Gallantly Conducted.

London, Dec. 12.—The war office has received the following from Gen. Forster-Walker:

"Cape Town, Monday, Dec. 11.—Gatacre reports as follows: 'The idea to attack Stormberg seemed to promise certain success, but the distance was under-estimated by myself and the local guides. A policeman took us round some miles, consequently we were marching from 9:30 p.m. till 4 a.m., and were landed in an impossible position. I do not consider the error intentional.'

"The Boers commenced firing from the top of an unscalable hill and wounded a good many of our men while in the open plains. The Second Northumberland tried to turn out the enemy, but failed. The Second Irish Fusiliers seized a kopje near by and held on, supported by the Mounted Infantry and Cape Police.

"The guns under Jeffrey's could not have been better handled, but I regret to say that one gun was overturned in a deep nullah and another sank in quicksand. Neither could be extricated in time to be available.

"Seeing the situation, I sent a despatch rider to Molteno with news and collected and withdrew our force from ridge to ridge for about nine miles.

"The Boer guns were remarkably well served. They carried accurately 5,000 yards.

"I am holding Bushmanshook and Cyrenat, and am sending the Irish Rifles and Northumberlands to Sterkstroom to recuperate.

"The wounded proceed to Queenstown. 'The missing Northumberlands number 366, not 306 as previously reported.'

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## The Emperor Challenged.

Recent Speech By His Majesty Subject of Criticism In Reichstag.

Hint That Presiding Officer Was Influenced by a Personal Grievance.

Berlin, Dec. 12.—While entering the reichstag to-day, Dr. Leiber, leader of the Centre, was attacked by a supposed insane man who tried to club him. Officers intervened and Dr. Leiber was apparently unharmed.

On the first reading of the budget estimates, Dr. Leiber observed that the favorable financial situation was due to the careful manner in which the house scrutinized the budget. Dr. Leiber concluded with saying that past and future events would prove to the Emperor that he had been ill-informed when in Hamburg regarding the feelings of the German people. During the first eight years of the Emperor's reign the reichstag had by no means persistently refused to increase the navy.

Prince Hohenzollern, imperial chancellor, said he since regretted that the Emperor's speech had been introduced in the reichstag. The speech, he added, had been called forth by the political situation. In view of the eminent position which the King of Prussia occupied as German Emperor, his right to exhort his people to unity in order to achieve great ends and give expression to his wishes could not be contested.

Count Von Ballestrem, president of the reichstag, intimated that he had already ruled that members of the reichstag could not be debarré from discussing in a suitable manner the speeches of the Emperor as published in the Reichsanzeiger, adding: "This must, of course, be done decorously, and in my opinion the previous speaker complied with this condition."

Count Von Limber-Sturm, Conservative, declared that the financial situation demanded the greatest economy. There would not be much retrenchment in the foreign estimates. But while certain credit was due to Count Von Buelow, for the success he had achieved, both agriculture and manufacturing were suffering from the present relations with America. The growing antipathy to England and English policy, he asserted, was remarkable, though Mr. Chamberlain's speech and the speeches of British statesmen generally had little more value than electoral speeches.

Herr Biele, socialist, declared that the increasing loss was in opposition to the emperor's exposition of the budget. The emperor's debt, he asserted, increased enormously and Germany did a miserable business with her colonies. Too much was paid for the Caroline islands and Kiaochow was a fever nest. To increase German trade proportionately with the fleet was a difficult matter. With Great Britain's fleet and Germany's army, the two countries could rule the world.

The secretary of the navy, Admiral Tirpitz, said that when the last navy bill was presented he did not know the extent of German industries. In a naval war, the secretary asserted, workmen would be the first sufferers. Then the house adjourned.

Dr. Leiber's criticism of Emperor William's speech at Hamburg has caused much comment. The spectacle of this cautious leader of the most important group in the reichstag—the section that will decide the fate of the naval bill—thus severely blaming the Kaiser is almost without parallel in German parliamentary history. It was all the more notable because Count Von Ballestrem, president of the chamber and maintained freedom of speech, even against the imperial chancellor. This evening parliamentary circles are all agog over the incident. By some it is said Count Von Ballestrem, who on several previous occasions stopped similar criticisms, had in this instance a personal motive for permitting unrestricted comment, because as one of the chief opponents of the canal bill he became persona non grata with the Emperor, who banished him from court. In any event the affair has not improved the chances of the naval bill.

**REWARDED BY EMPEROR.**

Berlin, Dec. 12.—Emperor William has conferred a patent of hereditary nobility upon Dr. Siemens, director of the Deutschebank for his services in obtaining the Baghdad concession for the Quatro-Railway Co. The distinction is particularly significant as it is believed that Dr. Siemens will succeed Dr. Von Miquel as Prussian minister of finance.

**COAXING THE GOLD.**

London, Dec. 13.—The Daily Chronicle says: "The Bank of England, we hear, is going to try once more to obtain gold abroad by lending below current rates on condition that borrowers repay when due in imported gold."

**PERU FOR EXTRADITION.**

Lima, Peru, Dec. 12.—Before closing the extraordinary session last night congress approved that extradition treaty with the United States.

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## THE EIGHT HOUR BLIGHT

Miners Union Reject the Oliver Branch and Owners Will Now Take Act Into Court.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Revelstoke, Dec. 12.—The mine owners' meeting at Rossland on Saturday decided that the Le Roi shall make a test case of the eight-hour law, and the British America Corporation will take steps to-day to force the government to take action by a violation of the law.

The Rossland, Boundary and Nelson owners and the Slovan Silver-Lead Mines Association are taking joint action. The Silver-Lead Mines Association offered the Slovan union \$3.25 per day of eight hours. It is reported that the union refused to compromise, and the associations may join for future protection.

**HOMEWARD BOUND.**

Excursionists Speeding Towards the Coast on Main Line of C. P. R.

Revelstoke, Dec. 12.—The Victoria and Vancouver members of the C. P. R. excursion through Kootenay and Boundary district arrived here this evening. They came on the Arrow lakes on the steamers Minto and Rossland. Monday evening being spent in a smoking concert, for which the party became famous during the trip. The run up the lakes today was a pleasant and exciting one. The Rossland, which left after the Minto, caught her at Halexton Springs, where the Minto was given another start, but was soon overhauled and beaten into Arrowhead. There Pullman cars were waiting for the party, and in these they will proceed to Vancouver.

**ATLANTIC TEMPESTS.**

German American Steamer Reports Excursionists Hazardous Experience.

New York, Dec. 12.—The steamship Candia docked to-day after having spent twenty days battling against the elements between Hamburg and Sandy Hook. At times the wind assumed hurricane force and the sea rushed with such great weight that they were obliged to use oil to prevent her sides from being crushed in.

Several of the officers say that the oil saved the ship.

**SENORA LOPEZ REAPPEARS**

To Claim Property in Cuba Lost When Weyler Shot Her Husband an Insurgent.

New York, Dec. 12.—Senora Lopez, with her four children, is now here, on her way to Cuba, to endeavor to regain her lost property.

Senor Lopez was shot by order of Gen. Weyler, as an insurgent. Then his wife was put in prison, whence she escaped disguised as a sister of charity. The refugee went to Rio de Janeiro, where she was joined by her children.

**THE POISONING TRIAL.**

Handwriting Expert Positively Fixes the Crime on the High Toned Prisoner.

New York, Dec. 12.—To-day's session in the trial of Roland B. Molineux was devoted entirely to the examination of William J. Kinsley, the handwriting expert, who testified that after examining thousands of specimens of handwriting he became convinced that one person wrote the so-called "Barnet" and "Cornish" letters; that the same man wrote the address on the poison package, and that man was Roland B. Molineux.

**LADY WILSON EXCHANGED.**

London, Dec. 12.—A special despatch from Lorenzo Marques says a Boer telegram from Mafeking announces that Lady Sarah Wilson, aunt of the Duke of Marlborough, who was captured by the Boers while acting as a correspondent of the London Daily Mail, has been exchanged for a Boer woman who was a prisoner at Mafeking.

**A MEMORIAL SERVICE.**

London, Dec. 12.—Lord Mayor Newton, the aldermen of the city of London and other prominent officials of the corporation, together with the high military authorities, will attend the memorial service to be held in St. Paul's cathedral for the men who have fallen in the war.

**MAFEEKING'S ORDEAL.**

Mafeking, Nov. 30.—(Via Lorenzo Marques, Dec. 11.)—Sorties by the British armored train and Boer shelling of the town continue. The British have had few casualties.

**A GIRL'S SUICIDE.**

Amptford, Dec. 12.—Lena Comery, the fifteen-year-old daughter of the township clerk of Pakenham, suicided last night by jumping from a train before it stopped.

**IRON WORKS BURNED.**

Owen Sound, Dec. 12.—The Owen Sound Iron Works were partially destroyed by fire early this morning; loss about \$2,000 and insured.

**THRILLING!**

Montreal, Dec. 12.—The annual meeting of the Montreal Baseball Club was held this evening when the old officers were re-elected. No dividend was declared.

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## ONTARIO BYE-ELECTIONS.

Conservatives Redem West Elgin and Reduce the Slim Majority of Ross Government.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—(Special).—The Ontario bye-elections held to-day reduce by two the already narrow majority of the Ross government.

Hon. John Dryden is re-elected in South Ontario by 352.

Preston succeeds ex-Premier Hardy in South Brant by 430.

West Elgin shows a Conservative gain in the election by 21 majority of Mr. Dairmid, who had been jobbed out of his seat by MacNish and the machine.

East Elgin elected Brown, Conservative, by 58 majority.

**WINNIPEG MAYORALTY.**

Ald. Horace Wilson Winner in Close Contest—Brandon Chooses by Acclamation.

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—(Special).—Clivic elections were held to-day but caused very little interest. Ald. Horace Wilson was elected Mayor by 70 votes over Ald. Matthews.

The aldermanic contests resulted in the election of Robt. Barclay in ward 2, Thos. Sharpe in ward 4 and Geo. C. MacNish in ward 6. All the others were by acclamation.

In Brandon Dr. McDiarmid was elected mayor by acclamation.

**Vancouver's News Budget.**

Bullet Aimed at Cow Kills Stevenson Butcher—Machinery For Dying Chilliwack.

Lumber Company Seeking Foreign Rights—Double of a Fugitive Murderer.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Dec. 12.—Alex. Clark was instantly killed at Stevenson at 9:30 this morning. While helping to kill a cow belonging to Mr. Webber, butcher, Clarke held the cow by a rope while J. Jones, another employee of Webber's, took careful aim at the cow's head with his rifle. Just at the instant the rifle was discharged the cow turned its head slightly and the bullet glanced from the cow's forehead, penetrating Clarke's temple and killing him instantly. Clarke was an Englishman aged 30 and unmarried. Coroner McGuigan has been notified and an inquest will be held.

McLean Bros informed the Colonist correspondent this evening that their plan to be used in circling Chilliwack with dykes arrived last night. It includes a locomotive, 24 flat cars, a 54-ton steam engine and six miles of steel rails. The huge dyking scheme will take fifteen months to complete and involved the expenditure of an enormous amount of money, but will absolutely do away with all possibility of damage to British Columbia's garden city from high tides.

George Dalton who while driving with T. F. Robinson and C. Lewis was thrown from a buggy, because of the previous condition at the city hospital. His skull is fractured.

The death of Private Stannard of No. 3 company is particularly sad. He was formerly employed on the steamer Robert Dunsmuir and though but two years a resident in the province he had made many friends. He died of typhoid fever.

A battalion order issued yesterday called for a parade on Wednesday for a military funeral. The firing party will be composed of his nearest friends in his company.

D. G. Macdonell is applying for foreign rights on Coal Harbor for the Pacific Coast Lumber Company, who wish to build a saw mill almost opposite the notorious Deadman's Island at the foot of Bidwell street. The company have for years been doing business at New Westminster but find the facilities there not sufficient to enlarge their premises. If the company are successful it would appear that the Landgate scheme might never be resurrected.

Some time ago the chief of police thought he had "rotted" the murder of millionaire Snell of Chicago many years ago—in the police cells. It now transpires that the chief's prisoner is not Tascotti but a young man who looks remarkably like him and who has been shadowed for Tascotti off and on many times in the past ten years. He is Tascotti's double even to the gold filling in the front teeth.

**LAKE ERIE STORMS.**

Buffalo, Dec. 12.—The gales on Lake Erie to-day were the worst of the season, the wind reaching a velocity of 62 miles an hour. No disasters on the lake in the vicinity have been reported up to a late hour.

**NEW CONSUL FOR PRETORIA.**

New York, Dec. 12.—Albert S. Hay, son of Secretary Hay, and consul by appointment to Pretoria, leaves to-morrow by the steamer St. Louis for South Africa, via England.

Will positively cure sick headache and prevent its return. Carter's Little Liver Pills. This is not talk, but truth. One pill a day does the work. Small pill. Small dose. Small price.

**HELPED FREE THE NEGROES.**

Pawtucket, R.I., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Elizabeth Upham, a prominent abolitionist throughout the country in anti-slavery days on account of her work in behalf of the negroes, and a leading advocate of woman suffrage, is dead, aged 93.

**REVOLUTION SNUFFED OUT.**

Carcas, Dec. 12.—It is announced that the Colombia government has occupied Cumana, on the Gulf of Caracao, and the revolution is said to be crushed.

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## A Troubled Evangelist.

Interesting Services at the Salvation Army Barracks Meet With Rude Interruption.

Story From the Sound That Talented Revivalist Has Grievously Sinned.

Salvation Army circles are troubled over "Rev. Isaac Naylor," who came to Victoria a few days ago and arranged to hold a series of meetings under the auspices of the Army. Mr. Naylor first of all arranged for the publication of an illustrated circular, largely devoted to a reproduction of paragraphs credited to various newspapers eulogizing his as a great worker in the cause of Christ and an eloquent evangelist. This publication was made a revenue producer by the insertion of a number of advertisements.

Mr. Naylor announced a "great evangelistic campaign, commencing December 9; continuing ten days, closing Tuesday, December 20, conducted in the Salvation Army barracks on Broad street, opposite Colindale building.

The meetings, on Saturday, Monday and yesterday evenings were largely attended and the eloquence of the evangelist made a profound impression on the audiences attracted by the flaring advertisements.

Coincident with the arrival of Mr. Naylor in Victoria, however, came several newspaper stories containing statements calculated to bring into question Mr. Naylor's standing, so at yesterday evening's meeting in the Salvation Army rooms on Broad street there were present a number of persons of questioning mind regarding the newspaper stories. At the conclusion of his eloquent exhortation, lasting over an hour, Mr. Naylor, to the audience approached the platform with the object of calling Mr. Naylor's attention to the following article which appeared in the San Francisco Examiner of December 7:

**"OBJECT TO LOVES**

**"OF THE EVANGELIST.**

"Seattle Clergymen Investigating Conduct of the Reverend Isaac Naylor.

"Seattle, Dec. 6.—The facts in the church scandal involving a charge against the personal character and professional standing of the Rev. Isaac Naylor, a noted English divine, who visited Seattle last spring and summer, have just come to the ears of the general public, through official action taken by the Methodist Episcopal conference of this city, in calling upon the Rev. Mr. Naylor for a statement of his side of the case, and through their failure to obtain an answer to the demand.

The charge against Mr. Naylor is that he left a wife in England, and coming to this country, obtained a divorce in North Dakota, a divorce which was pronounced by the church; that within ten days thereafter he married in California, the charming woman who in this city and elsewhere in the Northwest was known as his wife, and who enjoyed a popularity hardly less than that of her learned and eloquent husband.

"The present case against Mr. Naylor, and Mrs. Naylor is unknown. When the making of the scandal was obtained by the Seattle ministers who had so highly endorsed his strongest recommendations to congregations in other cities where he intended going, he was in Whatecom. Before he could be connected with the scandal, he went to Seattle, and when an attempt to reach him at that city was made he had vanished. Since then not a word has been heard from him.

"Mr. Naylor might be called a divine of international celebrity. His evangelistic work has made his name familiar in both England and the United States. He has been a resident in the United States for several years in America. He took a prominent part in the great religious congress held in Chicago during the World's Fair, and when in Seattle he expressed his intention of going to the Park exposition next year.

"It was in the early part of May of the present year that Mr. Naylor, it has been said, for the first time he had been doing evangelistic work in the cities of the East. He came here from Eastern Oregon."

Mr. Naylor avoided the interpellations, their only effect being so marked an increase of fervency in the exhortations that the questioner was shouted down, and at the conclusion of the service, Mr. Naylor hastily left the hall.

Colindale, prior to that, he was informed that he had declined to be interviewed then, but he might be seen at his rooms at the International hotel, Johnson street. Higher the Colonist reporter repaired, close on the heels of the gentleman and his wife, who had just left their evangelistic labors. Being pleasantly received, the reporter handed Mr. Naylor one of the Examiner containing the article reproduced above and suggested a statement from him in regard to it.

Mr. Naylor adjusted his glasses carefully and read the article through with great deliberation. He then said:

"While in New Whatecom a few months ago I was standing in the aisle of the Congregational Tabernacle there, in regard to what I should do in the matter. We had a meeting of those with whom I was associated in church work; and the result was I made a full, complete and satisfactory statement to Dr. Rodgers. I have nothing to add to that. If you will, the Colonist may write to Dr. Rodgers at Whatecom and ask his statement."

Then the reporter visited Staff-Captain Galt of the Salvation Army and found that obliging and worthy official in a flutter of natural excitement. Yes, she had heard rumors in regard to Rev. Mr. Naylor, but had heard them for the first time that day, and intended speaking to him about them last evening, but he had left the hall very hurriedly, and she was thereby prevented from doing so. When had she first met Rev. Mr. Naylor? Oh, about three weeks ago in Vancouver. She had met him at the Army meetings there, and he seemed such a good and faithful worker and so able a speaker that she had readily agreed at his request to be a member of the committee.

And now that she had heard of those charges against him, she did not know what to do.

The reporter told Staff-Captain Galt of his interview of a few minutes before with Mr. Naylor.

"Does he refuse to make a statement?" asked Miss Galt. "Why, if that is so we must cancel all meetings."

After a whispered consultation with other officers this course was decided upon, and the party left for the International hotel on Johnson street to so notify Rev. Mr. Naylor.

Staff-Captain Galt informed the Colonist that the meetings arranged by Rev.

Naylor would be postponed. This step was taken in justice to the evangelist, and in order that the army may arrange to prove the falsity of the allegations against his character. When this is done the meetings will be resumed.

Mr. Naylor is a gentleman of medium height, solidly built, and wears a closely cropped dark beard. He is an excellent speaker, having a good platform presence and a splendid command of language. At last evening's service he was supported by the presence of his wife, a blonde of splendid presence and of attractive figure.

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**MISCELLANEOUS.**

NOTICE—A shooting match for geese will take place at Koksilah station, on Saturday, December 16, 1899. Shooting to commence at 11 o'clock prompt.

COMMERCIAL COURSE—Evening class will be formed early in January in book-keeping, including commercial arithmetic, commercial correspondence, etc. Arrangements can be made for private instruction in this or other branches. For terms, etc., apply to Dr. S. D. Pope, personally or by mail, at 119 Government street, or 74 Kingston street.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Licensing Board at its next sitting for a transfer of Marion Wait, of Victoria, of my license to sell wines and liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Dallas Hotel, situated on Dallas Road in the City of Victoria B. C.

Dated this 13th day of November, 1899. WM. JENSEN.

**Resident Physician Wanted.**

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## THE WAR.

Gen. Gatacre explains his misfortune by saying that he was unintentionally misled by a guide. The loss of men was not as great as was at first stated, having been less than four hundred killed, wounded and missing, and the enemy were not able to follow up their temporary advantage. On the contrary, Gatacre appears to be holding an advanced position. Stormberg is said to be a very difficult position to force, but we have no doubt it will be carried at another attempt.

Very little news was received yesterday either from Buller or Methuen. A despatch announced that the Waschbank bridge was damaged. This bridge is between Elands-laagte and Glencoe Junction, and if our forces are in that vicinity the plan must be to cut off the retreat of the Boer forces on Pretoria and compel them, when defeated at Lady Smith, to move in the direction of the Free State. The despatch is so meagre that no certain conclusion can be drawn from it.

Gabrones, where the Rhodesian force advancing for the relief of Mafeking was at last account, is 110 miles north of that town and is on the railway line.

## CANADA'S DUTY.

Whether or not it is the duty of the Canadian government to renew the offer of a second regiment for service in South Africa may be an open question. In a matter of that kind some judgment must be exercised, and the Imperial authorities ought to be sounded before anything is done publicly; for incorrect impressions readily be created. We do not think, however, that there can be any doubt as to the duty of the Dominion to be prepared to furnish additional aid, if it is required. The government might well proceed to raise immediately a second regiment and have it in readiness to sail on short notice. It would, we submit, also be very desirable to take preliminary steps towards the enrollment of other regiments. While we do not regard the situation in South Africa as any more serious to-day than it was a week ago, but on the contrary think that our forces are making decided progress, no one can undertake to say just what the end of the war will be or if other complications may not arise out of it. A declaration by Canada of her readiness to supplement the Imperial forces with several regiments would have an excellent effect all over the world.

We shall watch with a great deal of interest to see if Sir Wilfrid Laurier will show himself equal to the occasion. We have not joined in the chorus against him charging him with disloyalty, for we have always regarded him as loyal according to his lights, but we have yet to see any evidence that he regards the duties of Canada towards the Empire in the same light as we are satisfied, the majority of the people do. Canadians as a whole are willing to bear their full share of Imperial responsibility, and are anxious that the government shall express their readiness to assume it.

## LIFE SAVING STATIONS.

Steps ought to be taken at as early a day as possible to establish life-saving stations on the West Coast of Vancouver Island. This is a matter coming specially within the jurisdiction of the Dominion government. The need of such stations has been felt for some time, and there is no politics in the request that the department of marine shall at once take the subject up and ask parliament for a vote sufficient to establish at least one station. Commerce in and out of the Straits of Juan de Fuca is growing apace. It is not all Canadian commerce, but when disaster overtakes a ship at sea, no one stops to ask what flag she carries. It is a part of the higher duty of nations to see that their coasts are rendered as safe as possible for mariners, no matter to what country they belong. There are several stations on the Pacific Coast of the United States, but we have none in Canada. Fortunately, and notwithstanding the bad name which the Vancouver Island coast has among mariners, shipwrecks involving much loss of life have been rare. There have been several melancholy cases of ships going down at sea, but no life-saving station could help them. The cases where ships have gone ashore and loss of life has resulted are happily not so numerous that many people can recall more than one or two, if any. But no one can say how long this immunity from serious disaster on our coast will continue, and if some day a wreck is reported with a serious loss of life, it will be poor satisfaction to know that it is the first.

There ought to be established along the Island coast a series of stations connected by the Marconi wireless telegraphic system, so that news of wrecks could be transmitted promptly from one point to another, and a life-saving force with the best modern appliances ought to be provided at the point where in the opinion of those who best understand the situation it would be most convenient to serve the possible demands of shipping. We suggest that the Board of Trade of this city and that of Vancouver might very properly join in a memorial to the Dominion government on this important subject.

## NEGLECT OF THE WEST.

A prominent British Columbia Liberal, speaking of the Manitoba election, said that the Liberal defeat there was due to the systematic neglect of the West by the Laurier ministry. Without saying that this furnishes the explanation of the remarkable overturn, for while it had doubtless something to do with it other influences were also at work, no one can deny that the West has been grossly neglected by the present ministry. Feeling sure in its majority from Quebec and looking to the Maritime Provinces to offset any defections in Ontario and further west, the ministry has pursued a policy which has created discontent among its best friends and stimulated its opponents to new activity. Speaking more particularly of our own province, it is well known that Sir Louis Davies is inclined to look with a hostile eye upon anything proposed for its benefit. He is credited with the statement that it was abominable that a province as richly endowed by nature as British Columbia should call upon the Dominion for anything. Whether this is true or not, certainly we have yet to see any evidence that it does not express the views of the Minister of Marine. When Sir Mackenzie Bowell presided over the department of commerce an effort was made to extend the trade of Canada with countries bordering upon the Pacific. Sir Richard Cartwright has not attempted to follow up this lead. It is true he sent a gentleman to Japan and another to South America, but it would be base flattery to claim that any good resulted from their mission, not because the commissioners were not efficient men, but because their reports were followed up with nothing. Mr. Mulock has worn out the patience of the people with his indifference to their needs in postal matters. So far as British Columbia is concerned, he has reduced the practice of how-not-to-do-it to a science in which he need never fear any rival. The various questions of a fiscal nature involved in the treatment of our ores have received the most scanty attention from Finance Minister Fielding, although so much of great interest depends upon the proper handling of this very important matter. As for the other public departments, their attention to the interests of the people of this province has been only of the most perfunctory character.

This sort of neglect and other minor matters are alienating from the Laurier party the sympathy of many life-long Liberals. For one expression of support a half-dozen expressions of deep disgust can be heard from those who up to a year or two ago were prepared to go almost to any length in behalf of Sir Wilfrid and his cabinet. Three years ago last June the Liberals elected four out of six representatives to the House of Commons from this province. To-day there is not a single constituency in British Columbia that can be counted upon as affording that party even a fighting chance. The explanation of the change is to be sought in the single word "neglect."

## A SMALL MATTER MAGNIFIED.

The Colonist intended to make no reference to the passage between the Lieutenant-Governor and the United States Consul at the Pioneers' dinner, because we felt that no offence was intended and the occurrence was one of those things that could be ignored with advantage to all concerned. But as a number of leading United States newspapers have given prominence to an account of the transaction, it is hardly right to remain silent. We are quite sure that no one who heard the Lieutenant-Governor speak imagined that he desired to give offence to the Consul or speak in any way derogatory to the United States, although there was a very general opinion that he would have displayed better judgment to have avoided any reference to a debatable point. Mr. Consul Smith might have very well allowed the matter to pass without comment, but as he did not do so, we think the Lieutenant-Governor made a great mistake in not contenting himself with an expression of regret for having wounded the Consul's feelings. That he replied impudently to the Consul was a great error in judgment. But we are sure both gentlemen would have been glad to have allowed the matter to close with a handshake, as it did, so far as they were concerned. But as the newspapers have taken the matter up, it is proper to say that the Lieutenant-Governor's remarks in response to a toast cannot be by any possible construction be given an official character, and that the raking up of old issues between this country and the United States is something that we are all anxious to avoid, no matter what our opinions may be in regard to them. A little forgetfulness is absolutely essential if any two countries in the world are to remain friendly.

## A LABOR QUESTION.

The United States is face to face with a new labor problem and one that presents unprecedented difficulties. The new policy of expansion has added to the population of the nation possibly ten millions of people of the Hawaiian or Malay races. By the laws of the country those people have the right to pass freely from one place to another. There is no reason why a Kanaka or a Filipino may not remove to Chicago or New York, take up his residence there and engage in any occupation which strikes his fancy. To deny him this privilege would be to deny him equal rights, and the constitution of the United States is based upon the alleged equality before the law of all persons. The Fourteenth Amendment was intended to secure this equality to every one. It was passed in order to prevent any of the Southern States from legislating to deprive negroes

of the rights that are common to all persons born in the United States and under its jurisdiction or who may become naturalized. This amendment does not prohibit Congress from making laws creating legal disabilities for any class of people, but there is nothing in the Constitution itself conferring this power, and the Tenth Amendment specifically says that Congress has only such powers as are given to it by the Constitution. It is therefore difficult to see how the question of Hawaiian or Malayan exclusion can be dealt with except by a constitutional amendment.

But some may ask why the question need be dealt with at all. The answer is that the demand of capitalists for cheap labor will undoubtedly lead to the importation by thousands of Filipinos and no inconsiderable number of Hawaiians. The Filipino considers himself well paid if he gets wages equal to those of a Chinaman in China. He, or she, as the case may be, is reputed to be industrious and capable, and probably knows nothing about strikes. There is nothing whatever in the law to prevent any person who wants a lot of cheap laborers from going to Manila and contracting for a whole shipload of Filipinos. There are millions of people to draw upon. Filipinos are said to make excellent house servants, and people of both sexes hire out readily for such work. The domestic servant problem has reached an almost acute stage in the United States.

## Diary of the War.

TUESDAY, OCT. 10—  
Kruger issues his ultimatum.  
Troops from India arrive at Ladysmith.  
Loring's Nek occupied by the Boers.  
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 11—  
Orange Free State troops enter Natal.  
THURSDAY, OCT. 12—  
War formally declared by the Transvaal.  
FRIDAY, OCT. 13—  
Gen. Heech with Boer force occupies Bothas Pass.  
Capt. Nesbitt's armored train captured by the Boers.  
Col. Fitz Clarence checks Boer advance near Mafeking.  
SATURDAY, OCT. 14—  
Mafeking invested by the Boers.  
Fighting near Mafeking and Spitzfontein.  
Boers occupied Spitzkop, near Newcastle.  
Kimberley invested by the Boers.  
Boers occupied Newcastle.  
SUNDAY, OCT. 15—  
Boers repulsed at Spruitfontein.  
Vryburg occupied by the Boers.  
Boers repulsed near Mafeking.  
MONDAY, OCT. 16—  
Boers advance on Glencoe.  
Boer repulse at Mafeking reported.  
Boers invade Rhodesia.  
TUESDAY, OCT. 17—  
Armored train repulses Boers near Kimberley.  
Desultory outpost skirmishes near Glencoe.  
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 18—  
Engagement at Acton Holmes and Leicester, in Natal.  
THURSDAY, OCT. 19—  
Boers blow up bridges at Fourteen Streams and Modder River.  
Natal Carbineers and Border Mounted Rifles engage the Boers near Ladysmith.  
FRIDAY, OCT. 20—  
Battle of Talana Hill (Glencoe)—Boers defeated.  
SATURDAY, OCT. 21—  
Battle of Elands-laagte—Boers defeated.  
Engagement near Mafeking—British successful.  
Outposts at Glencoe engaged.  
Armored train engages the Boers near Kimberley.  
TUESDAY, OCT. 24—  
British artillery engages the Boers on Newcastle road.  
Bombardment of Mafeking began.  
Col. Turner defeats the Boers near Kimberley.  
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25—  
Gen. White disperses the Boers at Rietfontein.  
Gen. Symons died from his wound.  
THURSDAY, OCT. 26—  
Gen. Buller effected a junction with Gen. White.  
FRIDAY, OCT. 27—  
Brilliant and successful sortie from Mafeking.  
MONDAY, OCT. 30—  
Gen. White has indecisive engagement at Ladysmith.  
Surrender of Royal Irish Fusiliers, the Gloucestershire Regiment and a mounted battery to the Boers.  
THURSDAY, NOV. 2—  
Gen. White defeats Orange Free State forces at Bester's Hill.  
A Boer force enters Cape Colony at Bethulie.  
Colenso evacuated by the British, who retire to Estcourt.  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3—  
British defeated the Boers in an engagement near Ladysmith.  
Heavy Boer losses reported.  
TUESDAY, NOV. 14—  
Gen. White made a successful sortie and drove Boer guns from position.  
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 15—  
Armored train affair near Estcourt.  
THURSDAY, NOV. 23—  
Gen. Methuen defeated the Boers and retook Belmont.  
SATURDAY NOV. 25—  
Gen. Methuen defeated the Boers at Graspan.  
MONDAY, NOV. 27—  
Gen. Methuen captured Honingrest Kloof.  
Gen. Buller orders advance from Estcourt.  
TUESDAY, NOV. 28—  
Gen. Methuen engages Boers at Modder River, and drives the enemy from position after ten hours' fighting. Methuen wounded.  
Successful sortie from Kimberley. Col. Scott-Turner killed.  
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 29—  
Canadian Regiment arrived at the Cape.  
SATURDAY, DEC. 2—  
Hottest bombardment of Ladysmith.  
SUNDAY, DEC. 3—  
Night sortie from Ladysmith and destruction of Boer artillery.  
THURSDAY, DEC. 7—  
Canadian Regiment arrives at De Aar.  
FRIDAY, DEC. 8—  
Modder bridge restored.  
SATURDAY, DEC. 9—  
Gatacre repulsed at Stormberg. Loss 600, chiefly missing.  
MONDAY, DEC. 11—  
Tugela bridge restored.

and the temptation to relieve it by importing domestics from the new Oriental possessions will be hard to resist. Passengers are brought from Mediterranean ports to New York for \$10 a head, and the Filipino would put up with even less accommodation than the Hun or Armenian asks for. The ordinary householder could well afford to pay a Filipino's passage money if assured that his services could be retained for a month at wages which such people would regard as princely.

Singularly enough this very important matter has only recently attracted the attention of anybody in the United States, but the Trades and Labor Council of California has taken it up, and we may expect it to receive consideration. Unless Congress acts with it during its present session, it is certain to form a very important issue in the next presidential contest. Other difficult problems are likely to arise out of the policy of expansion, for the constitution of the United States was drawn up only for a people inhabiting sovereign states, and is not adapted to the needs of possessions across the sea, to which it would be folly to extend the same rights and privileges as are enjoyed by the citizens of California or Massachusetts. Perhaps the greatest task ever imposed by circumstances upon a political party is that of dealing with the question arising out of the ownership of the Philippines, and the labor phase of the question is the most pressing and, regarded from the standpoint of the constitution, the most difficult.

We would be greatly obliged if the Times' will print another article on the Songhees reserve and explain why it felt called upon to indulge in a tirade against

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the Colonist in this connection. It is quite news to the Colonist that it opposed a settlement of the reserve question. We think we understand the animus of our contemporary. It is rather taken aback because the Colonist has advocated the idea that the city should acquire the property.

Mr. Joseph Martin has been playing the role of Sphinx to a Rossland reporter who sought an interview with him on local politics. It cannot be said that Mr. Martin cast light upon the situation, but it is tolerably clear that he intended to do nothing of the kind. About the only thing that can be deduced from what he said is that he will do his share to making things lively across James Bay in the early days of January.

The visit of a number of people to Comox and thereabouts in connection with the Coal Mines Regulations arbitration has had the effect of setting their tongues going as to the great work to be done in that part of the Island. The truth of the matter is that not many people have much idea of what is being done, not only in that neighborhood, but in other parts of Vancouver Island. But one thing may be said, namely that progress is the watchword in sections of which nine people out of ten know almost nothing.

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## VICTORIA TIDES.

[By Mr. Napier Denison.]

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to 14 feet of water in the channel off Shoal Point, and 18.6 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock.

Wednesday, Dec. 13		Thursday, Dec. 14	
Time.	Height above zero	Time.	Height above zero
1:30 a.m.	8.4 feet.	1:20 a.m.	9.0 feet.
5:05 a.m.	8.4 feet.	6:10 a.m.	8.5 feet.
11:20 a.m.	9.5 feet.	12:05 p.m.	2.3 feet.
6:40 p.m.	2.2 feet.	7:25 p.m.	2.0 feet.

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## THE LOCAL NEWS.

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Savannah, Photo.  
**Best Lawn Mowers at Cheapside.**  
**Smoke "Nugget Cigar." Meiss & Co.**  
**Bass' XXXX on draught at the Occidental.**  
**Drink "Hondl" purest and best of Ceylon teas.**  
**Air Tight Stoves, perfect beauties, at Clark & Pearson.**  
**Majestic Ranges at Cheapside.**  
Gen. White is all right, so are Kelowna Cigars. Wholesale at B. C. Jobbing Co., 31 Store street.  
**International Restaurant. Open all night.**  
**Hot lunch at the Manhattan from 11 a.m. to midnight.**  
**Golf.**—Just arrived, a splendid stock of Golf Goods at Henry Short & Sons, 72 Douglas street.  
**Our Christmas stock is now complete.** Crystallized Fruits, Chocolates and Sweets of all descriptions. Make your choice early. Clay's.

Don't you often hear it said that advertising is a fine art? You require the truth neatly and plainly put. When you hear that "HOND" Ceylon Tea is the best and purest on the market you have it.

**The Genuine Article.**—The Brewers are a team of genuine colored folks just returned from Australia, who are doing a very neat singing, dancing and cake-walking turn at the Delmonico this week. They expect to be back in Victoria again ere long, with a first-class show of their own, numbering twenty people or more.

**Friendly Help.**—The members and officers of the Friendly Help request that all Christmas donations be forwarded to their rooms in the public market building before Wednesday, the 20th instant, ladies being in attendance there all next week. District visitors are also reminded that they should have their complete lists in prior to the date mentioned.

**Wedded in the Suburbs.**—At the residence of the bride's parents, Catherine street, Victoria, West, William English and Miss Hattie Willard were recently joined in marriage by Rev. J. D. P. Knox. The contracting parties were supported by Charles McDonald and Miss Sarah Thompson. The happy young couple have taken up their residence on Henry street.

**Business Is Brisk.**—Business was exceedingly brisk among local shopkeepers yesterday, the fine weather prevailing bringing many purchasers down town. All day the streets were thronged with people, and as a consequence the main thoroughfares presented a decidedly metropolitan appearance. Business men are of the opinion that the present holiday season will prove one of the most profitable in the history of the city.

**Something for everybody suitable for Christmas gifts.** Perfumes from all the best makers; Ebony Brushes, Mirrors, etc.; Atomizers, all sizes and prices, and a host of other good things. See our goods and prices before buying. F. W. Fawcett & Co., 49 Government street.

**Back From the West Coast.**—Among the passengers on the Queen City from the West Coast recently was Moses McGregor, who has recently erected a fine hotel at Port Hughes. The hotel is now ready for the reception of guests, and during the few days which it has been open has done a good business. Mr. McGregor has great faith in the future of the West Coast. Several strikes of great importance have recently been made on properties in the Bear River

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district, and the Coast is overrun with American mining speculators looking for "good things."

Please call at Russell's, 134 Douglas street, any time before Xmas. Bring the children with you. It will delight them and please you.

Set for To-morrow.—The trial of the long-pending election case of Stoddart vs. Prentice is set for hearing in the Supreme court to-morrow.

Still Another.—Ex-Constable Gilchrist, who left the city force about two and a half years ago, is the latest gentleman to be mentioned as a possible incumbent of the office of chief of police.

Loan Art Exhibition.—An exhibition of pictures, curios and various specimens of art will take place this evening in connection with the Young People's Association of the Church of Our Lord, in the R. E. school room. Intending exhibitors are requested to send their contributions early in the day. It is anticipated there will be a good attendance of members and their friends.

Two Years for Theft.—Yen Kai, the Chinese sneak-thief, who was apprehended some few weeks ago in the very act of stealing valuables from the home of Mr. Deans on the Richmond road, asked for a speedy trial yesterday, and was brought before Mr. Justice Drake, to whom he pleaded guilty. The sentence was two years' imprisonment at hard labor.

A User of Bad Language.—A sealer who had been over-indulging the passion for drink was fined \$7.50 and costs in the police court yesterday for the offence of using bad language, his arrest having been caused by Special Constable Hoosen, with the assistance of Constable R. L. Walker. The other defendant, the magistrate was George, a Kiyuot Indian, who paid \$25 and costs for having intoxicated in his possession.

Politics in Alberni.—What may be regarded as the first note in the proclamation of an approaching general election throughout the province is the announcement by Mr. Neill, the member for Alberni, of a meeting of his constituency, at Alberni town, next Saturday evening. Of course the announced object of the gathering is to enable the member to consult with his constituents prior to the opening of the session.

Wholesale Arrangement.—The mate of the bark Theobald, with a determination to arrest everybody who had anything to do with the recent pilfering from his craft, yesterday gave the provincial police station a population greater than it has claimed for many weeks gone by. There were six men of the Coriolanus, one from the schooner Triumph, and two citizens of Esquimalt—all charged with theft. It is anticipated that the majority of the charges will be abandoned.

Victoria Firm Gets the Contract.—The Electric Light by-law of the city of Greenwood having finally passed, Messrs. George C. Hinton & Co., of this city and Vancouver, have added the contract for the equipment of this Kootenay town to the many others they have completed. They are now attending to that part of the world—for almost, if not quite, all of the Kootenay towns have been provided with electric light and power by this same hustling firm. The present contract is for one 150 k., 2,000-volt, 2-phase "S. K. C." inductor type generator of 3,000 light capacity, complete with all equipments; and all material, insulators and supplies, the generator, switch-board, etc., being of the very latest and most approved pattern. The entire plant will cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000, and will be fully installed during the ensuing ninety days.

The Captain Vindicated.—Mr. Victor Jacobson of Clayoquot says that the report recently published respecting the alleged abandonment of his crew by the captain of the wrecked schooner Hera, must have been written by the Colonist's informant in entire ignorance of the facts. The captain was criticized for having himself put off in the one boat, with the lady passenger and two or three others and refusing passage to thirteen members of the crew left on the wreck, but Mr. Jacobson says that the court was the only sensible one for the captain to take, as to have loaded his little boat more meant certain swamping. When the relief party headed by Mr. Jacobson were on the way out they met the captain who shouted that if he got his party safely ashore he would return for another, but Mr. Jacobson advised him not to do so, as the relief boat was large enough to take all hands, which it did, making the way back with the greatest difficulty, so high was the sea running. The captain could not send away a load of men first of all, for they were in such a state of panic that had they got ashore they certainly would not have sent the boat back, as he intended to do at further peril of his own life.

A Victorian From Atlin.—George Stelly, the well known young Victorian, is among the recent arrivals from Atlin district. He is loud in praise of the marvelous possibilities of the new North and enthusiastic about the future of that country. In common with others from that district, Mr. Stelly believes that the alien invasion law has had an immeasurable harm, and that the mining laws need revision. Mr. Stelly came down on the City of Seattle, and was impressed with the manner in which Victoria is handicapped owing to inadequate steamer facilities. He noted that the bulk of the travellers bound south had little intention of going to Victoria for that reason. In fact, says Mr. Stelly, Victoria seems to be decidedly out of it in the matter of attracting traffic to this city. In the opinion of Mr. Stelly the Atlin district will become famous chiefly as a hydraulic country, though placer and quartz propositions are showing up remarkably well. The Atlinites are loud in praise of the work done by Capt. John Irving, who has been indefatigable in his efforts to benefit the district by every means in his power. Ex-Mayor John Grant is now at Juneau, where he will probably remain during the winter. Mr. Grant has large interests in Atlin, out of which he hopes to make a good thing. Mr. Stelly returns north in about a month, and he is strongly of the opinion that Victorians would do well to water to a realization of the great possibilities for fortune-making which exist in the district in which he is now operating.

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**PHILHARMONIC CONCERT.**  
First Concert of the Third Season To-morrow Night.

Final preparations have been concluded for the Philharmonic concert to-morrow night in Institute hall, which will commence at 8:30 o'clock. "The May Queen," a pastoral from the pen of that famous English musician Sir William Sterndale Bennett, will be presented by a full chorus and orchestra of seventy-five, and the proceeds of the performance will be devoted to the funds of the British Columbia Protestant Orphans' Home. The soloists in the pastoral will be Miss Sophie McNeill (May Queen), Mrs. Janion (Queen), Mr. A. T. Goward (lover), and Mr. Herbert Kent (Robin Hood, king of the foresters).

The last named gentleman has kindly undertaken the part at very short notice through the generous retirement of Mr. Henry Maxon, who has become suddenly indisposed. Sir Michael Costa's arrangement of the national anthem for solo, chorus and orchestra will be given at the commencement and conclusion of the concert. The music of the "May Queen" abounds in tuneful arias, dramatic recitatives and enlivening choruses with an especially rich orchestration and its quaint pastoral character cannot but appeal to music lovers. Reserved seats for the concert can now be booked at Lombard's. The final rehearsal will take place in Institute hall this evening at 8 o'clock, the orchestra being particularly requested to be on hand at 7:30 o'clock.

**WINTER RATES.**  
A Very Reasonable Tariff Adopted by the "Red Line" Transportation Company.

The White Pass and Yukon route office has been advised that the following rates have been established by the Red Line Transportation Co., for this winter, on passengers, baggage, express and freight, from Lake Bennett, B.C.:

	Passenger Baggage Ex. Fret.	Per lb. Per lb.
Bennett to Caribou	\$ 5 00	25c.
Bennett to Chase	10 00	15c.
Chase to White Horse	20 00	75c.
Bennett to Lower Le-Barge	40 00	125c.

All the tourists stay at the International Hotel, 40 Johnson street.

**THE CIVIC ELECTIONS.**  
Messrs. Walter Morris and A. G. McCandless Discussed as Probable Majority Candidates.

Preliminary to the approaching municipal elections, Ald. Humphrey has bulletined formal notice of a resolution to fix Monday, the 8th proximo, from noon until 2 o'clock, as nomination day; the election necessitated by mayor and aldermen being held the immediately following Thursday, the polls being open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., and Mr. W. W. Nordeau being returning officer.

The vote for mayor will be taken in the police court room, and that for aldermen in each of the three wards at the public market building, the contest for vacant places on the board of trustees being determined simultaneously with the election of the mayor, in the police court chamber.

During the past few days the names of Messrs. Walter Morris and A. G. McCandless have been very frequently mentioned in connection with the majority candidature, and it is certain that the friends of these gentlemen are putting forth strong efforts to induce them to allow their names to be placed in nomination.

None of the retiring trustees has as yet expressed a definite opinion with reference to his (or her) intentions. It is generally believed, however, that all will be candidates for re-election.

**TO CONGREGATIONALISTS.**  
United Effort of All Members of the Denomination Is Earnestly Urged.

Rev. F. Payne, pastor of the First Congregational church of this city, takes the opportunity—through the Colonist, of thus addressing the Congregationalists of Victoria:

"My Friends:—  
"As pastor of the Congregationalists of Victoria, I feel it my duty to call your attention to the fact that our denomination is making strenuous efforts toward the founding of a local church in this city. I have been here for almost a year, and have come in contact with some of you, but yet do not think that you sufficiently realize this fact; or you would come forward and give us your much needed support.

"We are just beginning to go forward and I hope that all Congregationalists will come forward and give help to the brave little band of pioneers who have so long battled against adverse circumstances. There will be little merit in standing aside until the church is erected.

"I therefore take this opportunity to appeal to all of you who have the principles of Congregationalism at heart to come forward immediately into our ranks.

"I am, yours in Christian work.  
(Sd.) "F. PAYNE."

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Last year's Xmas cake was expensive, and besides caused you a lot of trouble.

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**HATS, CAPS,**  
**MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING.**

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Jordan Almonds	50c. "	Choice Seeded Raisins	10c. "
Orange Peel	125c. "	Choice Seedless Raisins	125c. "
Lemon Peel	15c. "	Choice Sultanina Raisins	15c. "
Citron Peel	20c. "	Choice Cleaned Currants	8c. "
Minicement	10c. pk	Choice Cleaned Currants	10c. "
10 lb Best Pastry Flour	25c. "	10 lb Sugar	10c. "

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**THE WESTSIDE.**

Containing News That Should Not Be Missed.

You dislike the term "bargain" perhaps. We're not surprised. A splendid word that has lost its reputation—like the magpie—in bad company. If you would understand the redemption of the word read to-day's announcements.

**About Choosing Furs**

A SAFE fur store must have more than honesty; it must have KNOWLEDGE too. If you find after a few months that you were deceived in a fur, it's poor comfort to know that the dealer was deceived too—for YOU pay for HIS ignorance.

The advances in the furrier's art only add to the danger. We've seen a jacket that was sold for electric seal when it was simply half sheared cone. Our long experience makes our guarantee of some value. The fur stock is ample and rich—Sable, Seal, Bear, Blk. Marten, Iceland Lamb, Persian Lamb, Mink, Silver Fox, etc.

**Fur Capes,**  
**Fur Collarettes,**  
**Fur Scarfs,**  
**Fur Muffs to match.**

See windows and second floor for special displays.

**Umbrellas**

As a matter of fact nothing makes a more useful present and is appreciated better, either by lady or gentleman, than an umbrella, especially at this season of the year. We have just received a new lot, and have now a very choice assortment.

From 60c. to \$16.50 Each.

**YOU CAN'T DUPLICATE OUR \$1.50 GLOVE.**

In America for this amount of money. We struck a popular chord and made a hit. Already the line of gloves that was offered at this price is beginning to run low, but we'll not disappoint a soul. Remember we are pleased to see you if you only come to look at the goods. Our offer is a \$2 glove for \$1.50, and you're bound to recognize the value.

**Handkerchiefs**

Nobody seems to know why—but the biggest part of the handkerchief selling is done at holiday times. To be sure, handkerchiefs make acceptable gifts—we help towards that by delivering perfectly clean and without a crease.

What's the charm of buying at The Westside? This—every handkerchief we sell is of pure material. The buying is safe.

**Gentlemen's Handkerchiefs**

Tape bordered (linen finish), from 12½ cents each.  
Tape bordered (pure Irish linen), from 25 cents each.

**Ladies' Handkerchiefs.**

Swiss embroidered cambric (very special), 12½c. to 50c. each.  
Swiss embroidered pure linen (just to hand), from 75c. each.  
Hemstitch cambric (good value), 15c. each.  
Hemstitch pure linen handkerchiefs (just to hand), from 25c. each.  
Hemstitch cambric "initials" (just to hand), 25c. each.  
Lace with embroidered edge (very pretty), 30c. each.  
Embroidered with lace edge (new) 30c. each.  
Pure silk "initials" (a very useful present), 75c. each.

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## England's Sons At Dinner.

Silver Anniversary of a Great and Growing Order Fitly Observed.

A Splendid Spread and Enthusiastic Display of Loyalty and Patriotism.

Last night was a momentous one in the history of the Sons of England, marking as it did the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of that great patriotic and benevolent order. It will also live in memory as the night of the largest and most successful banquet the Sons have enjoyed since their establishment in this loyal and very English city.

Naturally the situation in which the Empire is found in this end of the century, the "stern music of soldiers' mirth" filling the land, roused the patriotic enthusiasm of the attending children of Albion to the highest pitch, and scenes of wildest enthusiasm wedded to loyalty and love of country were of frequent occurrence all through the evening.

It was in the large banquet hall of the Hotel Vancouver that the feast was spread, the room being handsomely decorated for the festive occasion, and the glorious banners of England, together with a large portrait of Britain's well-loved Queen, playing a conspicuous part in the general plan of decoration. The tables were prettily adorned with flowers, and the spread provided by Mrs. Host John Michaels and his chef a splendid one in every truth.

Hon. E. G. Prior, M. P., was chairman, the guest-table also seating among others Hon. Abraham B. Smith, consul of the United States; Mr. H. Dallas Helmecken, M. P. P.; Mr. Richard Hall, M. P. P.; His Worship Mayor Redfern; Bro. Bull, the district deputy; Rev. W. D. Barber, Col. Gregory, Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolfer; Ald. Hayward; Rev. E. G. Miller; Drs. Hal, Hart and Gibbs; Mr. J. H. Turner, leader of the provincial opposition, had also been looked for among the guests, but had unfortunately been misinformed as to the date.

The excellent twelve-course dinner having been properly bestowed, the health of Her Majesty was called for by the Chairman, and honored with an enthusiasm that was magnificent.

Then came the almost equally popular toast, to the "President of the United States," which was given by the vice-chairman, Mr. William Jones, and elicited a fitting and eloquent response from Consul Smith.

The Dominion and Local Parliament was proposed by Mr. Arthur Lee, Hon. E. G. Prior, M. P. P., Helmecken and Mr. Hall replying; while the toast of the "Army, Navy and Volunteers" was called for by Mr. J. G. Taylor, drunk with round after round of cheers that shook the dining hall, and appropriately acknowledged by the representatives of the three services of the British Empire.

"The Sons of England," "The Mayor and Corporation," "Sister Societies," "Our Visitors," and "The Ladies" followed in succession, United States Consul Smith, Mr. W. H. Smith, Dr. Gibbs, W. L. Brakes and Captain Phillips-Wolfer, being found among the proposers; while the responses were in the hands of such ready after-dinner speakers as Mr. William Bull, Mayor Redfern, Ald. Hayward, Rev. Mr. Barber, genial Harry Helmecken, Mr. W. H. Price and Dr. Gibbs.

Interspersed with the postprandial oratory were songs and recitations of admirable quality, to which part of the proceedings Bro. E. T. Miller, Mr. A. Kendall, Bro. Jones, Mr. J. G. Taylor, Mr. S. Brakes contributed, the pleasant proceedings lasting until well toward midnight.

A feature of the "good of the order" programme, as one of the speakers jocularly christened it, was a new and thrilling patriotic poem from the pen of Captain Phillips-Wolfer, which that gentleman recited with splendid effect. As the poet impressed it upon all present that his work was copyrighted, and should not be reproduced, the Sons of England enjoyed one treat which they may be envied, but of which they cannot be deprived the monopoly.

The guests of the evening, in addition to those already mentioned, included the following: Mr. J. G. Taylor, Mr. H. Brakes, Mr. Porter, R. W. Shaw, W. Norman, A. Gent, G. B. Parry, William Roberts, W. Wood, C. Gilman, F. Tubbs, F. Dykes, G. Ramsey, B. Axhorne, E. A. Haynes, W. Jones, H. Magee, H. Fairall, W. Wain, T. D. Magee, E. Dickinson, A. Kendall, T. E. Reads, H. Hancock, G. R. Orton, A. E. Jones, Albert Omiog, J. G. Taylor, James Nankville, Joseph A. Lonsdale, Arthur Lee, J. E. Painter, A. H. Lofie, H. Lawrie, F. Wood, William Prout, W. Allen, John Pope, Thomas Whitwell, William Symon, Richard Gilbert, J. P. Lewtas, J. J. Card, John Nute, S. Gunter, W. Gunter, Robert Dinsdale, H. Phillips, W. Wallace Grime, B. F. Shepherd, G. M. Cookson, F. Mellor, H. T. Gravlin, W. E. Brance, S. Lawrie, M. Blatchford, P. Lawin, W. Bahman, V. Dempsey, J. R. Grier, Walter H. Smith, C. Fearn, Charles Hughes, W. H. Lettice, W. Lindley, William Hooper, J. Woolcock, J. Phillips, A. E. Greenwood, Almand Thomas, J. R. Williams, R. H. Johnston, E. M. Haynes, George Paine and Major Mackenzie.

The present officers of the two large and thriving local lodges of the society are:

Alexandria Lodge—Bro. Bull, district deputy; J. Nankville, president; C. Holmes, vice-president; J. G. Taylor, secretary; W. Jones, treasurer; H. Wager, chaplain; Bro. Grier, 1st com.; Pride of the Island Lodge—J. Dykes, president; W. H. Smith, vice-president; Thomas Gravin, secretary; H. Norman, treasurer; Bro. Seowcroft, chaplain; Bro. Payne, 1st com.

ROPE, AXE OR DYNAMO.

New York, Dec. 12.—At the annual meeting of the New York Society of Medical Jurisprudence last night, Attorney Roger M. Sherman, in an address, most strenuously opposed execution by electricity, declaring that the interval between the shocks was an eternity of anguish to the victim. He asserted that the time would come when the dynamo would have to be supplanted by the axe.

AN OLD THEORY EXPLODED.

The old-fashioned theory of tearing down disease was entirely changed by the advent of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food, which cures by creating new nerve blood in the system. Through the power of the circulation and the nervous system they strengthen and invigorate every organ in the human body.

## FATALITY AT CUMBERLAND.

Sudden Inflow of Gas Causes Explosion With Distressing Result.

The hazardous nature of the miner's life even in the most effectually safeguarded and best managed of collieries, was again illustrated on Monday night by an explosion in the No. 11 long wall, diagonal slope No. 4, of the Union Colliery Co.'s mine.

The explosion occurred at ten o'clock, just as the shift was leaving the mine for the night, through the sudden subsidence of the roof, releasing an unknown amount of gas, and causing an immediate outburst of gas.

There was no fire of any kind in the slope, and gas had never before been encountered in that part of the mine. The slope had been carefully examined by the mine fireman only an hour before, when all was well. The fall of the section of roof and consequent explosion could therefore be attributed only to purest accident, the coroner's inquest, which was held yesterday afternoon, being purely formal.

By the explosion, two white miners lost their lives, these being:

T. B. Jones, and Bernardo Seuco. Both met instantaneous death. The injured—none seriously, it is thought—number five whites, two Japanese, and one Chinaman, Ah Hoy, the list of the whites reading:

John Guthrie, Jr., Howard Fairbairn, Fred Lawson, and Henry Thompson.

The overman, Mr. John Matthews, was burned on the face, his injuries being very painful though not especially dangerous. The two Japanese were temporarily overcome by afterdamp, but have fully recovered.

The mine was ready for the resumption of operations yesterday morning, but will remain idle until to-morrow out of respect to the dead, the funerals taking place to-day.

## MILKING HEINRICH.

The Cows Are First Lassoed and Then Tied to Trees.

"The People of the Reindeer" is the title under which Jonas Stalling describes in the Century a visit to a Lapland camp. A picturesque account is given of the milking of the reindeer.

Placing ourselves on both sides of the entrance to the enclosure, at some distance, we stopped to wait for the herd. Looking in the direction from which the barking was heard, we observed on the summit of the nearest mountain ridge, against the horizon, something like a moving thicket, hurried as it were, by a swift current down the mountain side. Soon we distinguished the graceful forms of hundreds of reindeer, as they, with elastic motions, leaping and bounding, came tearing down towards the camp, the dogs stretching like ropes along the ground on either side of the herd to keep it together. We crouched behind stones and bushes, so as not to frighten the half-wild animals. With a good deal of running, gesturing and shouting, the herd was finally brought into the enclosure, only a few of the wildest animals escaping over the fell, past some of the little children. Rushing into the enclosure in an unbroken stream of more than 1,000 animals, the herd did not cease running—the reindeer is always on the move except at its regular resting times—but continued in a circle against the sun. The reindeer in these circular motions always runs against the sun; if it runs with it, it is a sign of disease of the brain. In the midst of the reindeer, leaping, bounding and butting in a friendly way, while giving out their peculiar grunting sound, the picturesque figures of our Lapponian friends were seen, surrounded by a thicket of horns. Our hostess, having hung her baby to a birch in the middle of the enclosure, stood, like a number of children with large pails to with a wooden scoop in her hand, ready to milk the first of the female reindeer caught, while at the outskirts of the enclosure pale, nervous children with large pails to receive the milk from the scoops, the smaller children either running about playing outside the camp, or giving salt and angelica to some of the tamest animals. The most important actors on the scene, however, were the men moving about slowly in the midst of the herd, holding the lasso, and looking sharply at the running animals. As quick as lightning a lasso whizzed through the air, the frightened animals recoiling and then increasing their speed. When the lasso hit the mark, the cow was hauled in, and tied to a birch while the milking was done. So they kept on for nearly two hours. The quantity of milk yielded by each animal is very small, at the most about a teacupful, but is of very high nutritive quality. The milking, which is by no means regular, is done, if possible, once a day. In winter time there is of course no milking. To prevent the calves from sucking their mothers, pieces of bone are tied into their mouths, and the calves are then tied with a rope. Some of the Lapps consider it sinful to milk the reindeer and thus deprive the calves of their food.

## ITCHING, BLEEDING PILES.

Mr. W. G. Phyllis, proprietor, Rodaga Hotel, 36 Wellington street, East, Toronto, writes: "While living in Chicago I had a terrible shape with itching and bleeding piles. I tried several of the best physicians and was burnt and tortured in various ways by their erroneous treatment, but without obtaining a mill of money to no purpose. Since coming to Toronto I learned of Dr. Charles Omiog, I used but one box and have been troubled with piles in any shape or form since."

## GAS JET TURNED ON.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—Henry Gould, aged 75 years, a cattle dealer of White, died shortly after noon to-day from the result of sleeping in a room at the Bull's Head hotel with the gas jet turned on.

## CHINESE TRAITS.

From the Forum.

When we are told that in a great Chinese city like Canton, most of the work-shops are kitchen, dining-room and bedroom, too, and that in these the workmen "breakfast on their benches, and at night stretch themselves out on them to sleep," we may readily suppose that the density of the population is responsible for this condition of affairs. But throughout California, where the Chinese, in spite of the misleading term "Chinese cheap labor," enjoy better wages than most of the purely laboring class of the Western world, the same phenomenon is witnessed. I have seen Chinese, earning over \$2 a day, sleeping in bunks crowded as closely together as those in the steerage of an ocean steamer. Indifference to surroundings, the genuine instinct, and, paradoxically, seem to furnish the explanation of this tendency. But these traits are not the product of a day; they are the result of an intense struggle for existence extending through thousands of years; they are as much a part of the national character, and distinguish the Chinese in as pronounced a manner, as their visible physical peculiarities, and, perhaps, are as ineradicable.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Uncompleted.—The committee in charge of the patriotic concert recently held have been unable to complete its business owing to not hearing from Ottawa.

Contract Signed.—Yesterday Contractor George Bishop signed the contract which calls for the erection of additional buildings adjacent to the officers' quarters on the Canteen grounds, Esquimalt. The contract price is in the neighborhood of \$8,500.

Not Reported.—The Empress of India, due from the Orient, had not been reported from Otter Point when the Colonist went to press this morning, though it has been long since she has been so late. Among her passengers are two Chinese officials coming to British Columbia to study the condition of the Chinese in this province. They are Lew Yu Lim and Chen Ngam Tao.

Victoria Teachers' Institute.—The members of the Victoria public school teachers' association held an exceptional interesting session a few days since, at which officers were chosen for the ensuing term. Mr. J. N. Campbell being named as president, Mr. J. F. Sallaway as vice-president, and Mr. D. Tait as secretary-treasurer. Miss Dowler, of the North Ward teaching staff, contributed an admirable paper on "School Room Difficulties," and Mr. Sallaway discussed the question of map-drawing, discussion following on each topic.

A Timely Subject.—There is no doubt whatever but that to-night's lecture at the First Presbyterian school room will draw, and draw immensely. Anything will draw that is so closely identified with the African question. Mr. McCaig, the lecturer, has had the advantage, too, of residence in and a considerable acquaintance with South Africa, its people and its burning questions. Those who hear his lecture to-night will therefore be in a much improved position to follow with intelligence the progress of the war.

In Token of Respect.—In token of respect to the late Mr. Lofie, whose sudden death was announced in the Colonist yesterday, flags were flying half-mast high on a number of business and semi-public buildings yesterday; while as soon as the news of the death was received, the football game between Mr. Laupman's "Rough Riders" and the Collegiate School was promptly postponed until after the Christmas holidays. The funeral of the popular young citizen is arranged to take place at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the family residence at Esquimalt, and at 3:15 from St. Paul's (Episcopal) church.

Sale of Work.—The sale of work, supper and concert under the auspices of Peregrine Lodge in Temperance hall yesterday afternoon and evening was quite successful, the attendance in the evening being very large. The supper, served under the superintendence of Mrs. Lewis Hall and her bevy of young girls, was a repast fit for a king, and many took advantage of it. The booths were in the hands of Mrs. Newbigging, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Long, McDonald and Fleming. The articles remaining unsold were disposed of during the evening at auction by Dr. Hall, and a goodly sum was realized. The concert was also successful, a most enjoyable evening being spent.

At the Theatre.—"Brown's in Town," a rollicking good farce of the comedy of errors style, attracted a large audience to the Victoria Theatre last evening. From start to finish the farce was a mirth-produser. The action of the piece takes place all in one day, morning noon and night at Honeysuckle Cottage. As the synopsis stated, there were complications—much in the first act, more in the second and plenty in the third. The leading role, that of Dick Preston Brown, was taken by the author of the farce, Mr. Brown. He divided the honors with Miss Jessie Mac Hall, who should herself be a charming ingenue. Her singing of a number of Scottish airs in the third act was a most pleasing interpolation. As Lettie, wife of Dick, because of whom there were complications, much more, and plenty, Miss Maude True Knowlton gave a pleasing performance, and Miss Lee was also good as a German heiress, in whose endeavors to annex Arthur Howard (Webster Cullison), a dentist friend of Dick, alias Brown, the English language was somewhat jumbled up. The next performance at the Victoria is "Hot Old Time."

## RESULT OF A BONUS.

Quebec, Dec. 12.—All town property belonging to the corporation of Levis has been seized as the result of a dispute between the town and the J. D. King Boot and Shoe Manufactory, Limited, of Toronto, which recently removed the factory from Levis, owing to the failure of the town to pay the annual bonus of \$1,000, agreed to when the firm decided to erect their factory at that place.

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It was no boast of holiday; no passing show, I ween, That chivalry that two years gone with love engird our Queen.

See them to-day—no gold, no gaud—in fighting khaki clad, Commander, captain, subaltern and simple soldier lad, Gone forth with "Duty" on each lip and "Duty" at each heart.

As went their fathers, and we know—to bear their fathers' part!

These are the builders that have set our house upon the rock, And hold it against foes who fight and at which foes who dare but mock.

How ran their scout? "Fine soldiers, these!—a pampered nation's toys, A motley rabble hired with gold—half blackguards and half boys."

Back from the battlefield to-day there comes the proud reply, "We may be boys, we're not too young to show men how to die!"

They've told us we're for ornament, they'll find that we're for use, To fire as straight as does the foe—though not on flags of truce.

Blackguards are not—witness hear both countryside and town, Ask a soldiered ill and tatty bog and English dale and town.

Ask hearths that miss and long for us; the homes where we were born, The mothers proud of us that pray "God bless them one and all!" say we, "our Tommies and our sons."

Whose four-point seven marks the track of England's shooting stars, Indomitable English hearts! as cool as on parade, That face disaster's brief defeat undaunted, undismayed.

Disaster dear to those who seek to find Achilles' heel!

Who glory in the hoped-for harm they lack the pluck to deal.

Laugh, little folk! for joy to think that England's sun has set.

But Fame laughs louder than ye all—and Freedom louder yet.

Take back your spite-engendered sneer, your concept-attuned scorn, Hark! to the cry that comes from East out-heralding the Morn.

And Westward of the sunset—from the Race ye so revile, From continent to continent it sounds—from Isle to Isle!

From the broad St. Lawrence—from beyond the North Atlantic Cross, "We—we are England's! Count with us before you count her loss!"

Longer than ocean leagues it comes and louder than its foam, "The Motherland is calling us—we're wanted, boys, at home!"

To fight the Empire's battles and to wear the Empire's crown!

And cheer-like and clearer still it gathers and it grows!

"Take us!" their manhood cries as one, "We need not limb nor life!"

"Take them!" cry mother, sister, wife, "Ten thousand men to fight for you of British blood and breed."

Ay, twice ten times ten thousand shall be with you if you need.

We are as staunch as brave Natal that bears the battle's brunt.

In gear and gold and side by side fights with you at the front!

What rule the world has ever seen, what yoke of blood and iron

Has ever compelled such service as our England doth entail?

Rule—rule Britannia! since your rule makes ever for the Right.

Ring the round world, and with the world roll onward into light.

True country and true comrades, God keep you, ye brave men!

With one voice 'neath the Union Jack to sing "God Save the Queen!"

(Written by Henry Hamilton and recited at the Empire Theatre, London, by Mrs. Brown-Potter. From the London Daily Telegraph.)

## A POET'S SOLILOQUY.

Don't feel at all inclined for work this afternoon. However, must try to knock off a few lines for the Piccadilly Gazette—usual soulful, melancholy kind. . . . Must concentrate my mind upon them. . . . Well. . . . Perhaps. . . . Yes, I do believe I ought to have triumphed that king instead of. . . . Hullo! This won't do. Thinking of last night's whist. Must really get to work on that poem. How about title? Something vague and noncommittal for choice. "Soliloquy," "Interlude"? Yes, that'll do—we'll call it "Interlude." Now to pile on the agony. Wish I didn't feel so heartily cheerful to-day! However, here goes. . . . "By melancholy grief oppressed"—rather commonplace that. Ah, obsessed, that's a much better word, quite modern and decadent. . . . "By melancholy grief obsessed, My soul is stirred, And conscious of her countless ills, Seek solace in." . . . Must alter that. Suggests "digestive pills," as the rhyme, "ills," "fills," "kills," "hills"—nothing very promising; better try back a bit. "And conscious of unceasing care"—ah, that's it—"Shrinkers from the all-momentous fare." That's monotonous fare. . . . That's monotonous fare. . . . Our landlady has given us muckers for breakfast every day this week. My wife will have to speak about it. . . . Where was I? Oh, yes—"The all-momentous fare, Of fancied pleasure, false delight, Which charms the vulgar appetite." . . . Old Johnson gave us a really first class dinner last night. That's what I'd like to have the recipe for. Wonder if he'd let me have the recipe for it. "For her avails no remedy. But some mysterious harmony." There's another German band. That's the worst of these seaside places; you get this confounded music from morning to night. . . . "Soft as the pulsing wave" ("pulsing wave" is excellent) "which flows." . . . What comes next? Old how inspiration seems cut at the meter here through a couplet. However, will look at the sea from the window and observe for myself. . . . Tennyson's plan, I believe. "The pulsing wave which flows"—how? Much as usual, as far as I can see. Only feature at present in the foreground is a large sized woman wringing out bathing garments. Not at all poetic. "The pulsing wave which flows Around the bathing woman's toes?" That won't do. . . . Better leave that verse for the present. . . . Yes, of course they may go up again. . . . Still, I'm half inclined to sell. Wonder what Jones would advise? . . . Oh, bother those wretched shares. I really must get on with my verses. Another four lines ought to finish the poem. . . . Let's see. "The floating hours go swiftly by, And something, something, misery." Only four syllables wanted. Try again. "The floating hours." . . . By jove! I produce

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## BRITISH MILITARY TERMS.

Organization Nomenclature—What Is an "Army Corps"—Difference Between Regiments and Battalions.

From the London Daily Chronicle.

The following information may be of use to those who are not versed in military matters but take an interest in every detail of the news about the fighting in South Africa.

Our home army is supposed to supply three army corps for home defence and two for active service abroad, besides forces for minor expeditions. An army corps must be considered to have a very elastic interpretation as regards numbers. Its strength and the proportion of cavalry, artillery, etc., must depend on the nature of the campaign. On paper the British army corps is about 36,000, but the army corps mobilized early last month (exclusive of reinforcements added thereto during the past three weeks) numbered about 49,000 of all ranks, including the cavalry division. Of this number about 31,000 are infantry. It should be remembered that the army corps will form only a portion of the force under Sir Redvers Buller, as he will have the Natal field force (now under Sir George White), the force already in Cape Colony, and the Colonial Police, Rifles and Volunteers, besides certain naval contingents.

To complete an army corps all "units" have to be made up to their "war strength," and for this purpose a portion of the army reserve had to be mobilized. The army reserve is not a separate force in itself, but has been described in the House of Commons as "men who have been allowed to go on furlough on certain conditions." It is in fact, composed of men who have served in the ranks and have returned to civil life, receiving nominal pay for holding themselves in readiness to return to the colors when called upon. They are classified in four sections, according to their length of service in the ranks and their conditions of reserve service. Their pay varies (according to the section) from 4d. to 1s. per diem, when not serving with the colors. It is from this source mainly that the "peace strength" of a unit (battalion of infantry, squadron of cavalry, etc.) is made up to "war strength" for the purposes of mobilization. The total available strength of the army reserve is 82,000. Of this number only a small proportion have as yet been called up for South Africa. The militia reserve is not connected with the army corps, but a portion is being mobilized for garrison duty at home.

## REGIMENTS AND BATTALIONS.

It would appear that there is some misunderstanding among civilians as regards the meaning of a regiment as distinguished from a battalion, and as regards line battalions and militia battalions. As an instance: A usually well-informed evening contemporary a few days ago sent on paper—two imaginary militia battalions out to South Africa. The Third and Fourth battalions of the (imaginary) "Staffordshire Regiment" were allotted to transports. As a fact no militia battalions have gone out. Every infantry regiment is divided into a certain number of battalions. With rare exceptions the first two battalions are "line" battalions (regulars), and every battalion after the second is militia (the volunteer battalions in addition are always so designated). The exceptions are as follows: The Grenadiers, Coldstream, and Scots Guards have each three line battalions (the Third Scots Guards is yet uncoloured); also the Royal Fusiliers, Lancashire Fusiliers, and the Royal Warwickshire regiments; King's Royal Rifles and the Rifle Brigade have each four line battalions. The Foot Guards regiments have no militia battalions.

The word "regiment" is frequently misapplied when "battalion" is intended. No infantry regiment is ever moved or otherwise treated as a unit. The two battalions, if ever they come together, do so by accident. A cavalry regiment is a complete unit. An infantry battalion consists of eight companies, he divides two companies at the depot. The war strength of an infantry company is 116 of all ranks, and, therefore, in the field a battalion, including staff (8), numbers 1,010. The total nominal "peace strength" of a battalion at home is 881.

Mounted infantry will be largely used in the South African campaign. This is a composite force composed of a certain number of companies, each one formed of sections of specially selected officers and men from different infantry battalions. A company in the field consists of 142 officers and men, and every two companies have a machine gun section attached. Four companies of mounted infantry are attached to each cavalry brigade. Mounted infantry are armed as infantry and fight dismounted. They are mounted only for the purpose of rapid movement.

## SQUADRONS AND BATTALIONS.

There was considerable lack of comprehension of the numerical meaning of the word "squadron" when a squadron of the Eighth Hussars was reported captured by the Boers. A cavalry regiment at home, exclusive of the three regiments of Household Cavalry, which has a peculiar organization, has "on the higher establishment" a peace strength of three "service" and one "reserve" squadron. A service squadron consists of four troops—192 horses and men in all. A reserve squadron of two troops has 102 officers and men. The total regiment on the higher scale consists of 696 officers and men. The "lower establishment" regiment has less squadrons, and a total of 578 of all ranks. There are eight "higher establishment" regiments ready for war. The others have to be made up to war strength if necessary. It will be seen from the above that the word "troop" has an actual significance and cannot in military parlance be applied vaguely to a body of soldiers. It is not generally known that a certain proportion of the men of every dragoon and hussar regiment (as well as all lance corps) is now supplied with lance.

The Royal Regiment of Artillery is composed of horse artillery (R. H. A.), field artillery (R. F. A.), garrison artillery (R. G. A.), and mountain batteries. R. H. A. act with cavalry, R. F. A. and

mountain batteries with infantry, and R. G. A. are used in the field for siege purposes with heavy guns, or for purposes of defending a camp or important position, such as that at Ladysmith. Horse and field artillery are organized in "brigade divisions," consisting each of two batteries of R. H. A. and three of R. F. A. Each battery has six guns. Three batteries R. F. A. are attached to each division of infantry in the field, and nine batteries R. F. A. and two of R. H. A. constitute the separate force known as "corps artillery," so that an army corps has twenty batteries in all, exclusive of R. H. A. belonging to the cavalry brigade, which is attached to but not treated as part of the army corps. A peace battery of R. H. A. has 167 and R. F. A. 141 of all ranks; a war battery of R. H. A. 170, and of R. F. A. 171 of all ranks. A howitzer battery comes under the head of R. F. A. A garrison battery has on an average 150 of all ranks in piece strength, and 200 in war strength. The army corps will have 138 guns, including those attached to the cavalry division.

## R. E. A. S. C. AND R. A. M. C.

The Royal Engineers (R. E.) are divided into various branches, the most important of which are bridging battalions, field companies of earthworks, etc., balloon sections, fortress battalions, railway battalions (including engine drivers, stockmen, etc.) and telegraph battalions. Attached to the R. E. are the Telegraph Reserve and the Railway Reserve, formed of Post Office volunteers and volunteers who work on railways, respectively. The companies of R. E. battalions vary considerably.

Supply and transport form two of the most important points in modern warfare. Hence the despatch of over a thousand officers and men of the Army Service Corps to South Africa a week in advance of Sir Redvers Buller. The Army Service Corps (A. S. C.), which is organized in companies, each company being divided into "supply" and "transport" undertakes all supply work. Transport is divided into two departments, "regimental" and "general." The former is in the hands of the battalions, regiments, batteries, etc., each unit carrying its own supplies of food, ammunition, etc., for immediate use. The general transport is entirely in the hands of the A. S. C., assisted wherever necessary by civilian drivers and civilians wagons. The A. S. C. will be represented in the army corps by about 1,500 officers and men, including butchers, bakers, etc.

The Army Ordnance Corps (A. O. C.) deals with the storage and supply (but not transport) of all kinds of stores, as well as reserves of machine guns and other munitions of war, but not food, fuel or light.

The Royal Army Medical Corps (R. A. M. C.) in the army corps will number about 1,800 officers and men and 50 nurses, apart from the staff of voluntary organizations. This force is divided into surgeons, bearers and hospital orderlies. The R. A. M. C. bears receive the wounded from the regimental stretcher-bearers and convey them to the dressing stations, thence when necessary to the field hospitals, and thence when necessary to hospitals on the lines of communication, base hospitals, and finally hospital ships.

## COL. INGERSOLL IN THE WAR.

His Honorable Military Service—The True Story of His Capture.

From the New York Sun.

To the Editor of the Sun: Sir—In your sketch of Col. Ingersoll's life printed in this morning's Sun I find this statement: "While guarding a crossroad in Tennessee he was captured by Confederates, his own captor being a very young boy."

Allow me to say that the story of Col. Ingersoll having been captured by a "very young boy" belongs to the variety of false stories often circulated by unscrupulous persons. It is true that during the war Col. Ingersoll was captured by the Confederates, but his captor was not a "very young boy." In a letter from John W. Kinsey, late lieutenant commander of the 11th Illinois Cavalry, dated at Peoria, March 14, 1891, the true history of Col. Ingersoll's record in the war is given in these words:

The 11th Illinois Cavalry, Col. Ingersoll in command, left camp in Peoria, Ill., February 22, 1862, marching overland to St. Louis. From that point it proceeded by transport to Pittsburg Landing, where it arrived in March, and on the 6th and 7th days of April participated in the memorable battle of Shiloh, where Col. Ingersoll's regiment did good service, several of its number being killed and wounded.

Its next experience, except the constant scouting required of a cavalry command, was in that other two days' fight at Corinth, Miss. There again under command of its gallant Colonel, it proved its loyal bravery, like the regiments that fought side by side, by its list of wounded and dead.

The regiment was next stationed at Jackson, Tenn., and on November 28, 1862, was one of the movements of the railroad rebel cavalry under Forrest having been received, Col. Ingersoll, with a force consisting of a part of his own and another cavalry regiment and a section of artillery, in all numbering 600 men, was despatched on a reconnoitering expedition in the direction of Lexington, Tenn. We camped at night near the village, and very early the next morning were attacked by a rebel division of about 10,000 strong. He (Col. Ingersoll) had only time to deploy his small force in a single rank on each side of the road, where he had planted the artillery, and where, having dismounted, he was personally directing the service of his two guns, when we were literally overwhelmed by the rebel forces, charging six ranks deep. A good many of our command, being run over and pressed by the enemy, escaped as best they could, but Col. Ingersoll, fighting on foot, together with part of his men and the battery, were entirely surrounded and, overcome by numbers, surrendered to the enemy.

Forrest, supposing, no doubt, that a large force was in his front, immediately paroled his prisoners and pushed forward. Col. Ingersoll was sent to St. Louis to command a

paroled camp, and here, attacked with illness, he waited weary months for his exchange. As there appeared little prospect of this, all exchanges at this time having been suspended by the Government, Col. Ingersoll, despairing of a return to active service, visited his regiment in the fall and declared his intention to resign. Though deeply regretting the loss of their brave and genial commander, the boys bade him good-by with the conviction that under the circumstances his course was the wisest one. Thus the Government lost his personal services in the field, but on his return home his matchless eloquence in behalf of the old flag and his old comrades in the front was worth thousands of men and millions of money, and will live when marble has crumbled to dust.

## ROLL OF BRITISH HEROES.

Officers Who Like Symons Have Paid with Their Lives for Brilliant Victories.

The sad case of Gen. Symons is not without several predecessors in the history of the British Empire and the conquests which have been necessary in the building up of the same; and although the victor of Glencoe was not particularly well known, he has left a name which is worthy of classification with those of Abercrombie, Moore and others.

One of our earliest heroes who perished at the point of victory was Sir Philip Sydney. He was sent to the Netherlands by Queen Elizabeth to command our forces taking part in the war there, and inflicted a crushing defeat upon the enemy at the battle of Zutphen. But he was not destined to receive the rewards due to him, for towards the close of the engagement a stray bullet struck him in the thigh, and he rapidly fell to death. He is chiefly remembered in connection with the incident of the water-bottle; refusing to quench his own thirst until a poor soldier, who had been carried past him badly wounded, had done so from the same flask.

The Duke of Schomberg, who led the English at the battle of Boyne, furnishes us with the next case in point. He did not have the satisfaction of knowing that his men had won the day, for he was struck down at the outset, and his place was taken by King William III, who was also wounded in the fray.

Gen. Wolfe, the conqueror of Quebec, met a glorious death on that field at the conclusion of the battle. In 1796 he led the expedition to America, and decided to storm the Heights of Abraham, overlooking the town of Quebec, and upon which the French were strongly posted. Under cover of darkness his men crept up the hill, and when morning broke attacked the enemy vigorously. For a time we were kept at bay, and the French general, Montcalm, fell mortally wounded, but fully confident that his men would win. Later in the day Wolfe received three wounds, but lingered on until the shouts of victory told him that his work was finished.

The year 1801, in which the battle of Trafalgar was fought, and the French and Spanish fleets crushed. But, as everyone knows, it cost us the life of our greatest admiral, Lord Nelson, who fell pierced by a bullet from the fighting-top of the French man-of-war Redoubtable when the battle was almost won. Like Wolfe, he lived to hear his men proclaim the victory, then died satisfied that he had done his duty.

Sir Ralph Abercrombie perished at the battle of Alexandria in 1801, after defeating the French. The enemy were fast falling back and covering the retreat with a well-sustained musketry fire, which resulted in Sir Ralph receiving a mortal wound in the chest, piercing the lungs and killing him within an hour. Strange to say, he had under him Sir John Moore, who afterwards fell when he had successfully balked the French in Spain.

The story of Sir John Moore's gallant retreat at Corunna is too well known to need brief comment. Soul was on his track with an army which nearly doubled his own in point of numbers. His only course was to give battle, and when all the ammunition had been expended, Sir John rode out at the head of his men and exclaimed: "My brave Highlanders, you have still your bayonets. Remember Egypt!" At the same time he fell from his horse, his shoulder shattered by a cannon ball, and shortly afterwards breathed his last.

The Indian mutiny claimed Sir Henry Havelock as a victim, although he was not actually killed in battle. A few days after he had relieved Lucknow, with the assistance of Sir James Outram, he was struck down by disease brought on by the rigours of the campaign, and died where he lay.

As a last instance we may mention Sir Herbert Stewart, who was in command of the force sent to relieve Gordon at Khartoum in 1885. Everyone knows the facts connected with the battles of Abu Klea and Abu Kru, and it was at the last-named place that Sir Herbert received his fatal wound and paid for the victory with his life.

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Notice is hereby given that by an order of His Honor Eli Harrison, Judge of the County Court of Nanaimo, B.C., I have been appointed administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of John Duncanson, late of Duncanson, county of Nanaimo, is the Province of British Columbia, deceased.

All debts due to the estate must be paid forthwith, and all claims duly verified must be filed with me not later than the 31st day of January, 1900, when I will distribute the assets.  
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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, Dec. 12—8 p.m. SYNOPSIS.

An area of high pressure overlies the Pacific slope, and the weather has been generally fair and moderately cold; snow is falling in the central plateau region. In the Canadian Northwest a very extensive high prevails, accompanied by a decided cold wave, the temperature reaching 8 degrees below zero.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	36	45
New Westminster	36	42
Kamloops	32	39
Barkerville	6	24
Calgary	10	14
Winnipeg	2	6
Portland, Ore.	38	48
San Francisco	54	56

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time) Wednesday: Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate variable winds; partly fair and somewhat colder. Lower Mainland—Variable winds; partly cloudy; not much change in temperature.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon, and 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, Dec. 12.

	Deg.	Mean.	Deg.
5 a.m.	36	Mean	40
Noon	44	Highest	45
5 p.m.	42	Lowest	36

The velocity and direction of the wind was as follows:

5 a.m.	Calm.
Noon	3 miles northeast.
5 p.m.	Calm.

Average state of weather—Fair. Sunshine—1 hour. Barometer at noon—Observed, 30.068. Corrected, 30.051.

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PRESS OPINIONS.

No, we don't know what Buller is doing. But we think he does.—Hamilton Spectator.

JOE'S TURN TO SMILE.

It is "Joe" Martin's turn to smile. Laurier, through Sifton, turned "Joe" down after he had made the issue that placed Laurier in power. Now "Joe" has, through the Conservative party, turned Sifton down in Manitoba.—Nelson Tribune.

VALUE OF ARBITRATION.

With the development of mining and industrial conditions, the relations between the two great forces of the present day, naturally becomes more sensitive; and the interests affected correspondingly great. If, without creating too much machinery, a court, or courts, of arbitration could be established, many difficulties might be settled without reaching the acute stage, and possibly such troubles as now exist in the Slocan brought to an end.—Greenwood Miner.

IT'S AN ILL WIND, ETC.

In our last issue we pointed out the benefits which might accrue to British Columbia by reason of the troubles in Africa. We now observe that some of the London papers note that the big South African houses profess to hold a gloomy view as to the future. They think the mining industry will be much curtailed and that some portion of the cost of the war will surely fall on the mines. The outlook for revival of business is not attractive. They even say that other gold mining fields will be more attractive, and there are dark hints of migration to British Columbia and elsewhere.—Kootenay Mining Standard.

WHY CAPITAL IS SHY.

There are a few things about this country of which our legislators appear to be lamentably ignorant or which they intentionally overlook. The first is that the country wants mines as well as minerals—that in fact without the one the other is impossible. The second is that mining is more developed across the lines than it is here, and that in many instances development has shown larger ore bodies over there than it has here, which demonstrates that at the same scale of wages mines can be worked cheaper over there than here. The third thing is that our tariff operates seriously against operations here—that many of our necessary supplies are subjected to duty, as well as our product when sent across the lines to be smelted, and a further Canadian duty when returning after smelting and refining. All these things are fast driving Canadian and English capital to the States. Under the circumstances our provincial laws should all be in the direction of encouraging investments here, and operations after investment, instead of handicapping by vexatious, compulsory eight-hour laws and the like, as has been the practice for years past.—Sandon Mining Record.

ONE ON "JACK" FANNIN.

A Stranger's First Impressions of the Local Naturalist and Their Complete Revision.

A stranger whilst taking a constitutional walk in a suburban residential portion of Victoria, observed an elderly man standing on the street intently gazing at a flock of robins perched, and hopping from branch to branch of a mountain ash tree, picking the ripe red berries. Not seeing anything particularly attractive in the picture, and the elderly gentleman's action in standing stock still and fixing his inquiring eyes to the tree, appeared so strange that the stranger stopped to see the result. After he had held his position at a safe distance away for nearly a quarter of an hour, a policeman happened to come along; the stranger beckoned to him, and pointed to the men, intimating that he thought he required looking after, as he evidently was crazy. The "bobby" at once took in the situation and assured the stranger that there was no cause for alarm, as he knew the man to be perfectly harmless, a well known resident and a noted naturalist. "Who is he?" asked the stranger. "That is John Fannin, the curator of the provincial museum," replied the bobby. "Ah, yes!" exclaimed the stranger, somewhat surprised. "I have heard of him during my visit at the Kensington museum, London; his name is well known there, and he has a reputation in leading institutions of being exceedingly clever at his profession. I should like to become acquainted with him." "All right," said the bobby, "I will introduce you to your supposed lunatic." After a formal introduction, and an apology from the stranger, which was good naturedly received, Jack let out one of his air-cleaning laughs so well known in every part of British Columbia, and that once heard could be recognized from the rocky mountains to the Coast. "Well," remarked Jack, "I did not think that my watching for a few minutes the antics of birds enjoying their breakfast would have been the means of affording the pleasure of this meeting." "When you say a few minutes," responded the stranger, "I can well see the great interest you take in obtaining lessons from Nature, as time seems to be absorbed without note in their attainments; but when I tell you that I watched you for fully a quarter of an hour apparently hypnotized in that tree and bird trance, I thought surely that you were a little touched in the upper story." Jack again struck a note in another laugh, which showed that his lungs were all right, and he and his friend walked back to the museum. The stranger expressed his delight and admiration on viewing the fine collection, and the handicraft work of Mr. Fannin in some of the magnificent groups and displays of art. On leaving he said, "I am now on my way to India, and will not fail to advise my friends, if they visit Victoria, to make a note of the fact that you have the best collection, the finest specimens, and the prettiest museum of its size that I have seen in all my travels."

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTIONS.

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REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

The trouble with most magazine poetry is that it is generally full of unbecoming sense. A man's way of getting out of trouble is to run away from it; a woman's way is to blame it on somebody else. When a man is in love with a girl he always likes to see her act foolish around little babies, and she always knows it. Probably every woman would be miserable if she knew what the neighbors thought of her as well as she knows what the hired girl thinks of the neighbors. Before a girl makes up her mind whether she will play the part of the rich girl or not she finds out whether there are going to be any kissing scenes in the part they want her to take. A man may smile when his heart is breaking, but a woman can smile when she has cold feet. A man that a woman generally ends by caring the most for is the one that she began by not caring to care for. The only time a man can ever find a woman's pocket is when her hand is in it, and even then he may make a terrible mistake. A woman's bosom friend is a good deal like a man's dog. Just as soon as they begin to play together, the dog or the girl or other runs away or else some of the neighbors poison it.—New York Press.

WATER FRONT BREVITIES.

Notes of Interest Respecting Local Shipping—Vessels to Arrive and Sail.

Steamer Willapa is due from Northern British Columbia ports.

Steamer Umatilla is due from San Francisco on December 14.

R. M. S. Aorangi left Brisbane en route to Victoria on December 8.

Steamer Izumi Maru is due from China and Japan on the 20th instant.

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MUSIC FOR THE PARK.

Sir: I am sure every militiaman feels obliged to you for the interest you are taking in their affairs. Would it not be well to have the candidates for civic honours make some declaration as to their position upon the question of giving a grant to the band, in return for which the band should play a given number of concerts at Beacon Hill park during the summer. Two years ago the would-be aldermen and Mr. Redfern were tumbling over each other to say yes first to this proposal. The grant was made and the public as well as the band were more than pleased. Since then nothing has been said about this until after the civic elections were over, and then the aldermen said they had no authority to make such a grant. They did, however, find power to make a grant in aid of rifle shooting, and they have recently found power to guarantee certain preliminary expenses in the preparation of "The Messiah." Let the council ask at the next session of the legislature for the necessary power. It is absurd that the council cannot legally provide for music for the park. Talk about making the city attractive for visitors. Make it an attractive place to live in, and the visitors will be attracted automatically. Kill two birds with one stone.

MILITIA.

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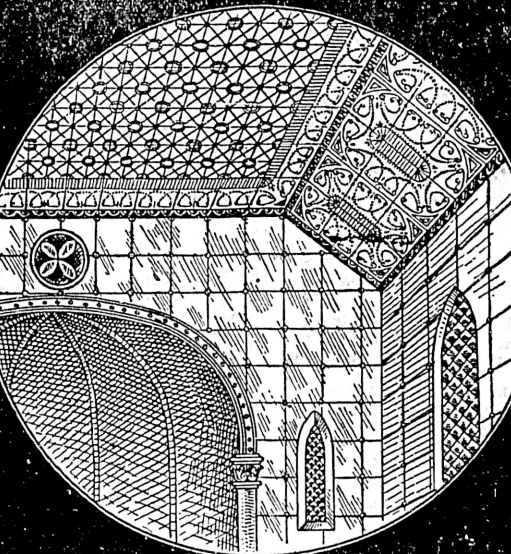
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